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HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

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H. Stolterfoht, Esq. | Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1893. [7

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL£1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED£1,125,000
PAID-UP£ 562,500

BANKERS:
LONDON. JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON NEW FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months.....4 per cent.
" 6 " 3½ "
" 3 " 2½ "
DEPOSITS RENEWED ON OLD TERMS.
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [8

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP£800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-HOLDERS.....£800,000
RESERVE FUND£335,000

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" " " 3 " ... 2½ "
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. [53

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND$ 5,750,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS...$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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MANAGER:
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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. [31

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.
INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [32

Insurances.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.
SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [34

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.
CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1894. [247

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } $833,333.33
EQUAL TO
RESERVE FUND $318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. | LO YEUK MOON, Esq.
LOU TSO SHUM, Esq.
MANAGER.—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.
HEAD OFFICE, 2 & 3, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 27th December, 1895. [48

Intimations.

OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FIRST GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Nos. 38 & 40, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 11th day of April next, at NOON.
Dated Hongkong 31st March 1896.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
597] General Managers.

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S DEPOT, Wyndham Street, at NOON, on SATURDAY, the 11th instant, to consider whether the Company shall be wound up or reconstructed.
By Order of the Board,
W. HUTTON POTTS.
Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1896. [619

TO SHIPMASTERS.

ENQUIRE where your FRESH WATER is obtained by the Water Boats; as FOUL WATER is the cause of much sickness on board Ship.
We are the only Water-Boat Company in Hongkong exclusively Supplying FILTERED WATER.
Call Flag "W."
J. W. KEW & Co.,
STEAM WATER-BOAT Co.,
18, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 9th October, 1895. [56

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY AT 62, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
SHADWICK KEW,
(LATE OF POATE & NOBLE.)
Hongkong, 5th March, 1896. [35

DENTISTRY.

MR. SUI SANG, (Lately Practising with Dr. I. SAKATA), DENTIST,
No. 55, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 2nd November, 1895. [51

SIEN TING,
SURGEON IDENTIST,
No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET.
TERMS VERY MODERATE,
Consultation free.
Hongkong, 27th September, 1895. [46

DENTISTRY.
FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP AND MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG, Surgeon Dentist, (Formerly articled Apprentice, and latterly assistant to Dr. ROGERS), HAS REMOVED TO THE BANK BUILDINGS, QUEEN'S ROAD, (Opposite Hongkong Hotel).
CONSULTATION FREE.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1895 [70

MEE CHEUNG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,
TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN *Ice-House Road.*

IS now in a position, in his New and Commodious Premises, to eclipse, as heretofore, ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICED in the Colony or in any part of the Far East.
GROUPS AND VIEWS a speciality.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1895. [45

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON SATURDAY, the 11th April, 1896, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at his SALE ROOMS, DUDDELL STREET, *(For Sundry Accounts)*;
A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Comprising:—
ONE DRAWING-ROOM SUITE in TAPESTRY and PLUSH, OVERMANTELS, OCCASIONAL and TEA TABLES, WRITING TABLE, LADY'S DESK, BOOK-CASE, LEATHER-COVERED FURNITURE, LAMPS, PICTURES, ORNAMENTS, FENDERS, &c., CARPETS, &c., &c.
ONE HANDSOME MARBLE-TOP SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED GLASS, EXTENSION DINING TABLE, TEAK DINING CHAIRS, VIENNA ARM CHAIRS and ROCKING CHAIRS, DINNER WAGGONS, DINNER and DESSERT SERVICES, ELECTRO-PLATE and GLASS-WARE, CUTLERY, PANTRY REQUISITES, &c., &c.
ONE SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED GLASS.
IRON and BRASS MOUNTED SINGLE and DOUBLE BEDSTEADS, &c., MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS and SETS, DRESSING TABLES and GLASSES; ONE HANDSOME MARBLE-TOP BUREAU and BEVELLED GLASS, SUNDRY BED-ROOM FURNITURE, &c.
BATH-ROOM REQUISITES.
ONE TENNIS NET, nearly new.
TWO RICKSHAS, LADIES' EVENING CHAIRS,
&c., &c., &c.
Catalogues issued previous to Sale.
On View from FRIDAY, the 10th April, 1896.
TERMS OF SALE:—As customary.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1896. [625

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
JAPAN, &c.	*Java*	P. W. Case	10 A.M., 8th April	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the Inland Sea.)
LONDON, &c.	*Kaisar-i-Hind*	C. L. Daniel	Noon, 9th April	See Special Advertisement.
JAPAN, &c.	*Ancona*	W. D. Mudie	Noon, 10th April	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the Inland Sea.)
LONDON	*Shanghai*	J. Cowie, R.N.R.	About 18th April	Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI	*Ravenna*	E. Street	About 19th April	Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to
ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [431

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY,
Nos. 11, 13 and 15 Central Market.
TRY OUR
VEAL SAUSAGES 25 Cents per lb.
BOLOGNA SAUSAGES 50 Cents per lb.
SHIPPING AND COAST PORT ORDERS WILL HAVE PROMPT ATTENTION.
J. TATAM,
Hongkong, 11th February, 1895. Proprietor. [49

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.
1,400 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.
TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "EXCELSIOR," HONGKONG, A. B. C. Code. | TELEPHONE, No. 35.
THE TEMPERATURE IS AT LEAST 10 DEGREES COOLER THAN IN QUEEN'S ROAD.
TIFFIN AT 1 P.M. DINNER AT 8 P.M.
ARRANGEMENTS can be made for TIFFIN or DINNER PARTIES in PRIVATE DINING-ROOMS.
For further Particulars apply to
THE MANAGER,
MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1895. [28

THE PHARMACY.
TANSAN, TANSAN, TANSAN.
This refreshing and invigorating Table Water contains 8 per cent. more IRON CARBONATE than any Water from similar Spas.
Sole Agents for HONGKONG and SOUTH of CHINA:—
FLETCHER & CO. and CARMICHAEL & CO.
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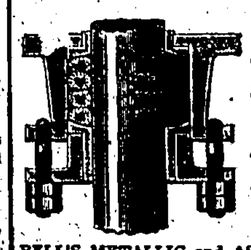
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BREAKFAST $12.00
TIFFIN 15.00
DINNER 20.00
ALL 3 MEALS 42.50

KELLY & WALSH, LD.
AMERICAN SQUEEZER
PLAYING CARDS.
PLAIN AND GILT EDGED.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1896. [16

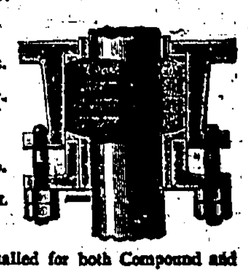
THE CLUB HOTEL, 5, *BUND, YOKOHAMA.*
HOTEL METROPOLE, 1, *TSUKIJI, TOKYO.*
FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT. Experienced English matron in attendance.
The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every assistance given in clearing luggages and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.
VISITORS have the option of leaving either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER on the Premises.
Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.
THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.
E. V. SIOEN, Manager, YOKOHAMA. | L. DEWETTE, Manager, TOKYO. [101

Intimations.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG HOTEL—PRAYA.



Sole Eastern Agents for
SPHINCTOR GRIP ARMOURED HOSE.
SNOWDON, SONS & Co. "SNOW-DRIFT" MANUFACTURER.
THE NEW WIRE WOVE ROOFING Co.
THE ALUMINIUM AND GENERAL FOUNDRY Co.



BELL'S METALLIC and ASBESTOS PACKINGS are unequalled for both Compound and Triple Expansion Engines.
COTTON PARAGON PACKING, TUCK'S PACKING and all kinds of jointings kept in stock.
SPECIALLY MADE CLOTH FOR FILTERS. ENGINE AND CYLINDER OILS.
W. JACKSON, Manager.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1896. [50

OUR GREAT AIM IS TO SUPPLY OUR CUSTOMERS WITH THE VERY BEST ARTICLE AT A LOW PRICE.
THAT IS WHY WE ARE INTRODUCING
BRAUN'S "EXPORT" BEER
PRICE:—
$10.50 per Case of 6 dozen Pints. $12.50 per Case of 4 dozen Quarts.
Cash on Delivery.
THE SEATTLE BREWING & MALTING CO., CHINA-JAPAN AGENCY.
Head Office:—8, D'Aguilar Street, Hongkong.
For price and terms, apply to
THE MANAGER.
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1896. [1918

EXPLOSION IMPOSSIBLE.
JASTRAM'S PATENT
GOLDEN MEDAL
PETROLEUM ENGINES
OF 2 TO 12 H.P.
FOR FACTORIES AND LAUNCHES.
WORKED BY ORDINARY PETROLEUM.
Consumption of Petroleum 1 lb. per H.P. and Hour.
A Working Stationary Engine and a Launch with a 4 H.P. Engine will be shown and full particulars be given on application.



NOISELESS. SMOKELESS.
SCHEELE & CO., HONGKONG,
SOLE AGENTS FOR THE EAST.
47] NO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER REQUIRED.

FOR SALE.
G. H. MUMM & Co.'S CHAMPAGNE.
In cases of 2 doz. pints.....$35 per case.
do 1 " quarts$33 "
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 13th May, 1895. [33

SHERRIES.

	PER DOZEN.
OLOROSO, red seal (*fine nutty golden*)	$18.00
AMONTILLADO, white seal (*choicest dry*)	$20.00
SOLERA, yellow seal (*fruity golden*)	$20.00
SOLERA, black seal (*a very dark fruity wine, vin. 1880*)	$25.00
AMOROSO, green seal (*pale golden*)	$30.00

ESTD. 1864. TELEPHONE—75.
The above stand in the first rank of after dinner SHERRIES and have been specially selected by our London house at very low prices for wines of such quality.
CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. 39

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.
GENERAL STORE-KEEPERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.
SHIPCHANDLERY DEPARTMENT.
SIR CHAS. PRICE & Co.'s ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.
ENGLEBERT'S CYLINDER OIL.
CRANE'S CYLINDER OIL.
VALVOLINE, CASTOR OIL, &c., &c.
TUCK'S GENUINE PATENT PACKING.
ASBESTOS PACKINGS of all Kinds.
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HUBBUCK'S PAINTS and VARNISHES.
HOLZAPFEL'S PATENT COMPOSITION, ANTI-CORROSIVE and ANTI-FOULING, for STEEL VESSELS.
SOAPSTONE ENAMEL COMPOSITIONS for HOLDS, BUNKERS and TOP-SIDES.
FRESH WATER SUPPLIED.
LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1896. [273



TRADE MARK.
Hong Names:—
YUEN WO. 源和洋行
TELEPHONE, No. 135.

NOTICE.
We have REMOVED to the more Commodious Premises No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
GANDE PRICE & CO.,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1896. [442

To-day's Advertisements.

CITY HALL.

WILLARD OPERA COMPANY,

To-night (Tuesday), 7th, THE TRIP TO CHICAGO.
To-morrow (Wednesday), 8th, GENTLEMAN JOE.
Thursday, 9th, TWO LOVELY BLACK EYED SUSAN. [621

NOTICE.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

DURING my Temporary Absence from the Colony, Mr. K. KIYOOKA, Sub-Manager, will TAKE CHARGE of this OFFICE.

H. U. JEFFRIES,
Manager.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [633

FOR SALE

A BORNEO DEER. Very tame. Can be seen on Board the Steamship *Memnon*.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [632

ZETLAND LODGE,

No. 525, E.C.

AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [634

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TAIWANFOO AND SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"PAKHOI,"

Captain Stott, will be despatched TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [624

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.

(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and PORTS on the YANGTSZE.)

THE Company's Steamship

"ULYSSES,"

Captain Grier, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [629

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"CHINGTU,"

Captain Innes, will be despatched TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [552

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, KEELUNG AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"FORMOSA,"

Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 9th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [628

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUISANG,"

Captain Galsworthy, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, at 3 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [612

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

THE Steamship

"MEMNON,"

Captain Branch, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [730

"RICKMERS" REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MARSEILLES, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to RED SEA PORTS, MEDITERRANEAN and BLACK SEA PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

"DOROTHEA RICKMERS,"

Captain Pape, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [461

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship
"WINGSANG,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after Noon of the 9th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [631

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

IN consequence of the SCORING CARDS of the WINNERS in the LADIES' COMPETITION not having been handed in to me, I regret that the Names of the successful Competitors cannot yet be published.

If the Lady Winners will kindly RETURN their SCORE CARDS to me, their Names shall be duly entered upon the official list.

F. SMYTH,
Honorary Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1896. [645

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1895. [427

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES
AND
SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS,

with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Clarets, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1896. [6

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writers, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

Whilst the columns of the *Hongkong Telegraph* will always be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

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TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

DEATH.

At Nagasaki, on the 28th ultimo, PAULINA, the beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. de Souza, aged 9 months.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 1896.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

As on the question of the constitution of the Sanitary Board, so on this other cognate question of the refusal of the Government to produce all the papers and correspondence on the subject we are pleased to see that our contemporaries are heartily with us. The *Daily Press* leader of this morning was clear and to the point. The Government will do itself a grave injustice if it fails to make public all the documents on the subject in its hands, and, if it needs formal permission from the Secretary of State, it has only to ask for that permission to get it. There can be nothing disclosed by the correspondence that the officials at the Colonial Office have any interest in keeping secret, however desirable it may be in the interests of certain people here that there should be no publication. If the Government does not ask for and get leave to lay on the Council table all the papers asked for by Mr. WHITEHEAD there will be no difficulty in drawing conclusions as to the reasons why it prefers to let matters remain as they are.

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Will the Unofficial Members of Council take warning from the position in which they have placed themselves in regard to the Bill for altering the constitution of the Sanitary Board to avoid for the future all secret dealings with the Government, all expressions of opinion in semi-official letters on matters of public importance which may afterward come before them in their capacity of Legislators? How can they possibly now debate freely the questions at issue in connection with the Board when they stand committed in writing to take one, and only one, side of the question? How can they reconcile it to their consciences, sworn as they are to serve Her Majesty faithfully as members of Council, to give their opinions privately and on ex-parte statements and representations, without any opportunity of consulting their constituents or of ascertaining their views on the subject? Not one single member of the Sanitary Board on the popular side, either elected or nominated, has been asked for his evidence or for his opinion, except Dr. Ho KAI, and what his experience and opinion is we know. He is a Doctor, as well up in hygiene as any medical man in the place. He is as able and intelligent as any member of the Council, although not as active and energetic as some. He has sat on the Board throughout two if not three of the transformations it has undergone, and he is distinctly in favour of a popularly organised Board with powers as complete as those exercised by any Sanitary Authority in England.

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The Memorandum sent in by the Unofficial Members of Council on the subject of the Military Contribution is a very clear and a very effectively put together paper. It does not, however, reflect any very great credit on the gentlemen whose names are attached to it, as it is clear that when the Estimates were before the Council and when they voted away the public monies so freely to pay the Military tax they had not yet made any very thorough or very careful examination of the figures put before them by the Government. If they had done so they must have discovered the defects to which they now call attention. When they asked permission to hand in a memorandum on the subject for transmission to the Secretary of State they had only present to their minds the one point about the difference between Municipal and General Revenue and the Government had itself taken up that point previously. The equally important questions raised by their present representation had not then, evidently, occurred to them and yet it ought to have been plain enough that the form of the accounts was changed, that items which had formerly been treated as reductions in expenditure were now shoved in to swell, for the purposes of the Military Contribution, the gross revenue. It ought to have been seen by any one with half an eye that payments from the Departments for water, very convenient and very proper for certain purposes of book-keeping, were not payments at all, and should not figure as revenue. There again the fault was committed of discussing the Military Contribution privately and secretly with the Government officials. They were so open and candid over the question of the exemption of the Municipal Revenues and so anxious to protect the interests of the Colony as against the War Office and the Treasury in respect of that portion of the Colonial Income that it was impossible to suspect them of cooking the accounts of the general revenue to enhance the amount of the Military Contribution. If it had not been for that the Unofficial Members would probably have examined the Estimates more critically. Legislative Councillors should refuse to express opinions on public questions otherwise than openly and publicly in their places in Council, in the presence of their fellows and before the whole community. Whenever they do otherwise they will find themselves hampered in the due and honest performance of their public duties.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

GERMANY AND JAPAN.

LONDON, April 5th.

Commercial and Consular treaties between Germany and Japan have been signed at Berlin. It is understood that extraterritoriality is not wholly abolished, and that German imports obtain numerous tariff reductions.

AN ITALIAN SUCCESS IN ABYSSINIA.

The Italian garrison of Kassala has made a sortie in aid of its out-posts, and has defeated 5,000 Dervishes with heavy loss. The loss of the Italians was slight.

THE SOUDAN.

The Dervishes have advanced within twenty miles of Akasheh.

QUARANTINE IN JAPAN.

Japan exchanges received here yesterday state:—On account of the prevalence of plague in Hongkong the provisions of the Quarantine Regulations will be enforced on vessels coming from that port at Yokohama, Kobe, Shimonoseki, and Nagasaki from the 1st April.

SPECIAL NOTIFICATION.

We received to-day from the Government, for publication, the following copy of a telegram which has come to hand from Her Britannic Majesty's Minister at Tokio:—

"*Governor*
"*Hongkong.*

"*Medical inspection enforced from to-day against all arrivals from Chinese ports.*

(Signed) SATOW."

Tokio, 6th April.

(*From Japanese Papers.*)

THE GOVERNMENT AND THE NIPPON GINKO.

TOKIO, March 27th.

It is stated that the Government will shortly repay the money borrowed from the Nippon Ginko, and that the Bank will afterwards reduce its rates of interest.

THE JAPAN-CHINA COMMERCIAL TREATY.

TOKIO, March 26th.

According to a dispatch from Peking, the negotiations connected with the Treaty of Commerce between Japan and China are almost concluded, but it will be some time before the Treaty can be signed and ratified.

FOREIGN TRADE AT NON-TREATY PORTS.

TOKIO, March 27th.

The Law regulating the foreign trade that will henceforth be permitted at certain non-Treaty ports, according to the provisions of an Act passed during the present session of the Diet, was promulgated as a Decree to-day.

EARL SPENCER.

KURE, March 27th.

Earl Spencer arrived here by the British cruiser *Edgar* at 8 a.m. to-day. He called on Commander Inouye of the Kure Naval Station, and afterwards paid visits to the docks and a number of places in the neighbourhood.

THE CLOSING OF THE DIET.

TOKIO, March 29th.

The Diet was closed to-day. The Imperial Message was read to the members of both Houses, assembled together, by Count Kuroda, acting Prime Minister. The address expressed appreciation of the diligence with which the members had laboured during the past three months, on business of great importance to the State; and his Majesty added that it gave him great pleasure to observe how harmoniously, and with what sincerity of patriotism and devotion they had laboured to increase the prosperity of the Empire.

THE YOKOHAMA SILK MARKET.

YOKOHAMA, May 25.

The Yokohama Silk Exchange has ceased all transactions since yesterday, in consequence of the excessive fall in prices—as much as from yen 660 to yen 460. The action taken by the Exchange will, it is believed, prevent any further fall.

THE ANARCHY IN KOREA.

SEOUL, March 23rd.

Mr. Komura, the Japanese Minister, is making an investigation into the murders of Japanese in Korea, with a view to lodging a claim with the Korean Government for compensation.

TOKIO, March 25th.

A Gensan telegram from Major Nakagawa, dated March 24th, states that fifty-eight Japanese soldiers have defeated one thousand rebels at a place the name of which cannot be deciphered. Fifty-five rebels were killed and many wounded.

TOKIO, March 26th.

Mr. Komura and Mr. Waeber are in active communication with each other at Seoul.

A telegram from Fusan states that the leader of the insurgents who were driven out of the "castle" at Kwan-ju has been killed by his followers.

SEOUL, March 26th.

A Japanese subject has been killed by Koreans in the vicinity of the Chikaho—a tributary of the Ta-tong River.

A military detachment has been ordered to proceed to Ping-yang to suppress the insurrection there.

It is reported that the new Government has resolved to renounce the reforms instituted a year ago, and to revert to the old system of government.

SEOUL, March 27th.

The Chief of the Police Bureau has got himself into trouble for giving rewards to the Japanese advisers to the Government who have recently resigned.

TOKIO, March 28th.

A telegram has been received from Chemulpo (*old* Fusan) announcing the murder of three more Japanese by a Korean mob. Seven Japanese had been engaged in salvage operations in Caroline Bay, where the Chinese war-ship *Kwang-yi* was sunk. Four of them had been to Chemulpo on personal business, and on their return on the 15th inst. they found that their comrades had been murdered by Koreans. A mob sallied forth also to attack them, but they escaped to Chemulpo and reported the occurrence to the Consul, whereupon 16 Japanese and 2 Korean police were dispatched to search for the corpses of the murdered men and to make the usual inquiries.

FUSAN, March 30th.

About 300 insurgents are reported to have besieged Kim-hai, and taken five of the rural officials prisoners. A Japanese military party, numbering 16 men, has been sent to make an investigation into the occurrence. The mob retreated as the Japanese soldiers approached.

At Tai-ho yesterday it is reported that an insurrectionary force of 7,000 men charged the Japanese troops. The fighting lasted nine hours, the Japanese soldiers being victorious to the end.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

NINE cases of plague to-day.

A. H. RENNIE; furious driving; fifteen dollars.

ALL interested in the Ladies' Competition at the Prize Meeting yesterday should read the Secretary's "ad" in this issue.

THE ever-popular Willards were "all there" *in Town* last night. To-night they will startle a large audience by the manner in which they do "The Trip to Chicago."

THUS the Yokohama *Advertiser* in a recent issue:—Dr. W. F. Arnold, U.S.N., who was sent to China by the United States Government to study the Black Plague, writes to the U. S. Consul-General here that this disorder is coming on by degrees, with a mortality of above 90 per cent.

THE consideration of the application for the transfer of the license of the Travellers' Hotel, for which a special session of the Justices of the Peace was called for to-day, was adjourned for a week by Comdr. Hastings, Acting Police Magistrate, who alone was present, as the Police raised objections.

IT is pleasant to learn from Calcutta papers received by the *Wingsang* this morning that Mark Twain has recovered from his recent serious indisposition, was lecturing in Rawalpindi on the 20th of last month, and on the 25th left Madras, in fairly good health, for Calcutta, whence he was to sail for Mauritius and the Cape about the 4th instant.

RECENTLY three Chinamen duped a Chinese woman in Singapore, says the *Free Press*, by an old ruse. One of them pretended to find a $100 note in the road, and a vigorous argument ensuing as to who saw it first, and the woman was asked to change the note. In return for a $1 Shanghai note she gave $50 and a gold ring, with which the ruffians immediately made off.

WHEN the Editor of the Friso *Chronicle* received news of the downfall of the savage Ruler of Ashanti he dashed off the following para and had it put at the head of his latest news column:—"The poor Ashantee King is having misfortune rubbed into him. Not only did the British invade his country last winter, but they now propose to locate a chartered company there. If the royal savage has any property left he had better transfer it to his wives."

AT Calcutta on the 20th ultimo A and C Companies of the Shropshire Light Infantry played off their tie in the first round for the "Plague Cup," and after a close struggle the game ended in a win for A Company by one goal to *nil*. Play during the first period was very even, the leather travelling freely between the goals. In the second half, however, A Company had matters pretty much their own way and secured a point from a scrimmage. It was through bad luck that they did not get more than one goal.

By the last mail from England there arrived in the Colony a very official looking letter addressed to "His Worship The Mayor," Hongkong. The benighted officials at the Post Office, knowing no better, sent it up in the Government House bag, but his Excellency the Governor, with that keen political foresight that has always distinguished him, caused it to be at once transmitted, by special messenger, to the Honorable Thomas Whitehead. We congratulate the Honorable Thomas, and hope to see the Governor's forecast justified by the event, and at an earlier date than many people anticipate.

WHEN the last mail left England the betting on the Two Thousand Guineas and the Derby stood as follows:—

TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS.
(To be run April 30th.)

St. Frusquin	5 to 2 (t).
Persimmon	5 to 2 (t & o).
Regret	7 to 2 (t).
Knight of the Thistle	100 to 12 (o).
Dunrobin	20 to 1 (t).

DERBY.
(To be run June 3rd.)

St. Frusquin	100 to 30 (t & o).
Persimmon	5 to 1 (t & o).
Regret	11 to 2 (t & o).
Knight of the Thistle	100 to 8 (t & o).
Teufel	14 to 1 (t).
Galeazzo	14 to 1 (t & o).
Shaddock	30 to 1 (t).
Roquebrune	28 to 1 (o).
Winter King	33 to 1 (t).
Harp Or	40 to 1 (t).
Ortolo	50 to 1 (t).
Earwig	50 to 1 (t).

THE latest addition to the O. & O. Company's trans-Pacific line [of steamers, the *Doric*, was open to inspection by the public to-day from 3 to 6 p.m., and a large number of residents availed themselves of the opportunity to inspect this ocean flyer. The *Doric* has been completely renovated for the Pacific service. She is 450 feet long (ten feet more than the *Coptic*), 44-feet beam and 31 feet in depth. Her gross tonnage is 4,784, more than that of her sister-ship by 336 tons. The engines are triple expansion, of 3,500 horse-power, fitted with Howdon's forced draught. Her new boilers have been tested at 180 pounds steam pressure. The *Doric* is commanded by Captain Harry Smith, Lieut. R.N.R., a brother of the old captain of the *Oceanic*. Chief Officer A. Hambleton is also an officer of the Naval Reserve. The other officers are: C. E. Starck, second; B. F. Lawlor, third; C. H. Cross, fourth; W. Allen, chief engineer; J. Gaston, first assistant; J. Reid, second; David McKinnon, third; Thomas Tomlinson, fourth; William Crawford, fifth; Thomas Hellon, boiler-maker. Chief Steward W. Wheat is acting Purser. Chief Engineer Allen, First Assistant Gaston, and Third Assistant McKinnon are old "O. and O." engineers, well-known, and deservedly popular in the Far East.

THE Singapore death-rate, which has been so alarming high of late, fell from 51.28 in the week ending March 14th to 44.87 the following week. It, however, compares very unfavourably with 36.16, the figures for the corresponding week of 1895.

THE *North Borneo Herald* of the 16th March received by the *Memnon* yesterday, says:—Mr. McGregor Smith's report on the land he has examined and selected on the Kinabatangan and Labuk rivers is that it is all that can be desired for the cultivation of sugar. In fact he considers it second to none out here for that purpose, and the tableland he says is simply perfection. Mr. Smith is taking home some excellent samples of cane to show what can be produced in British North Borneo. It will not be long before the industry will be established here on a sound commercial basis. The names of the gentlemen interested in the venture are a guarantee that it will be carried out in such a way as to ensure permanent success.

THE SCIENCE OF PARLIAMENTARY REPLY.

To tell the truth, but only part—
Yet seemingly keep nothing by—
Therein consists the skill and art
Of Parliamentary Reply;

To rise at any member's call,
With information to disclose,
To seem to tell that member all,
And tell him only what he knows;

To push the main point gently out,
And dwell with open-hearted flow
On side-points no one knows about,
Nor any mortal cares to know;

To "hedge" with fine paraphrases,
To use strange words of meaning dim,
Gladstonian dialect to seize,
And each official synonym;

Never the perfect truth to tell,
Never to tell a patent lie:
Therein the perfect art doth dwell
Of Parliamentary Reply.

—*St. James's Gazette.*

UNDER date 24th March the Peking correspondent of our Shanghai morning contemporary reports as follows:—There have been a number of promotions in the Customs. Mr. Tanner has arrived from Tientsin to take charge of the Russian class in the College in place of Mr. Rautenfeld, who is appointed to Seoul. The Korean Customs seems still to be under Inspector-General Sir Robert Hart. Mr. Aglen has gone to Tientsin to replace Mr. Montgomery, who goes south. The Commissioner to succeed Mr. Detring at Tientsin, which he leaves next month, is not yet known. Mr. Piry has been made Commissioner of Customs and proceeds to Macao to replace Mr. Ohlmer, who goes home on leave. Mr. Bondfield, of Shanghai, has been here on a visit and preached an excellent sermon at the Sunday evening service. A marriage took place the other day at the British Legation between Mr. Brandt, a Dane, and Miss Chameh, a Swiss. Spring races are being arranged for. We had two fires lately in the eastern part of Peking, one at the four ornamental arches, in which four people were burned to death; another in the [illegible] north of the Customs, where an old woman and child were consumed. One of the gates of the tripartal arch at the first mentioned fire also took fire and has had to be renewed and repainted preparatory to the visit to the Temple of the Sun which was paid by the Emperor on the evening of the 20th. The Emperor makes frequent visits to the Eho Park to visit the Empress-Dowager. He intends to spend a month there when he next visits her. Prince Kung is also there at present. There is some talk of the Inspector-General visiting the lighthouses along the coast this spring. Mr. von Brandt is now quite convalescent, Mr. Knobel, the Netherlands Minister, has returned to Europe *viâ* Siberia to fetch his family. Mr. Tel, interpreter to the Japanese Legation, has been appointed Consul in Tientsin. Mr. Kuma has returned from a trip to Newchwang and Moukden. Colonel Kamio is at present here as *Military Attaché*. A great conflagration of straw belonging to the well known Tailleu, the proprietor of the native foreign hotel, took place lately near the United States Legation.

MEMORANDA.

TUESDAY,—7th April.

9.10 p.m.—Willard Opera Co.'s performance at the City Hall.

WEDNESDAY,—8th April.

Noon.—*Empress of China* leaves for Vancouver, *viâ* Amoy and usual ports of call.

Noon.—*Doric* leaves for San Francisco, *viâ* usual ports of call.

9.10 p.m.—Willard Opera Co.'s performance at the City Hall.

THURSDAY,—9th April.

Hankow Races begin.

11 a.m.—English Mail closes.

Noon.—*Kaisar-i-Hind* sails for London.

9.10 p.m.—Willard Opera Co.'s performance at the City Hall.

FRIDAY,—10th April.

5.15 p.m.—Lecture by Mr. W. E. Crow at the Odd Volumes Society's Rooms.

5.30 p.m.—Emergency Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

SATURDAY,—11th April.

Noon.—Meeting of shareholders of Oliver's Freehold Mines, Ltd., at the Company's offices, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.

Noon.—Meeting of shareholders of the Dairy Farm Co., Ltd., at the Company's Depôt, Wyndham Street.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of household furniture, etc., at Mr. G. P. Lammert's sale-rooms, Duddell Street.

SUNDAY,—12th April.

Noon.—*Tacoma* will leave for Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma, *viâ* usual ports of call.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended April 5th, are:—Europeans, 137; Chinese, 1,427; total 1,564.

H.M.S. *Undaunted* returned to Singapore on the 30th ultimo from Labuan, and went to the wharf to coal. She did not call in at Kudat and Sarawak.

CHOLERA is reported by our Siam contemporaries to be very prevalent in Bangkok. Several Indians and Japanese have succumbed to it, and hundreds of natives die daily.

FROM Tientsin the *Shanghai Mercury* learns that the Peiho river is in a very bad state. The winter was not severe enough, therefore the reaches in the river were not scoured out as they generally are.

CHOLERA, which is epidemic in Calcutta, is referred to in the *Indian Daily News* of the 20th ultimo thus:—The cholera epidemic, which has been uncomfortably prevalent during the past week amongst the European and Eurasian population, seems to be making steady progress, and fresh cases are reported daily. The disease is most active in the native part of the town, though it has paid fatal visits to Free School, Dhurrumtollah, Hastings Street, Sooterkin's Lane, and some other places in the European quarter. The Municipality advertise that persons wishing to be inoculated may attend at the Registration Office in Wellesley Street between the hours of the 4 and 6 p.m. Mr. Ashley Counsel, a European, succumbed to cholera yesterday.

PRESENTATION TO CAPT. CRAIG.

A BEAUTIFUL SOUVENIR.

The E. and A. steamer *Menmuir*, which arrived in Hongkong this morning, brought a large number of excursionists from Australia and elsewhere, *en route* for Japan. The genial skipper of that vessel, Captain Hugh Craig, made himself so popular with his guests, and was so indefatigable in his endeavours to add to their comfort, that on approaching the coast last night all the passengers booked through from Sydney joined in acknowledging his many kindnesses in a worthy way.

After dinner the Hon. Canon Bouverie, of Wilts, England, on behalf of his fellow passengers, spoke in high eulogy of Captain Craig, to whom he then handed an address containing the autographs of all the travellers, informing the receiver at the same time that the donors had subscribed in order to have the testimonial handsomely framed in Hongkong. The address, which may now be seen in the office of the Agents, Messrs Gibb, Livingston & Co., is beautifully embellished, and in the fullest sense a work of art. The text, which is as follows, is in Italian script, and was illuminated by the Hon. Stewart Bouverie:—

"March, 1896.

"To Captain HUGH CRAIG.

"We the undersigned passengers, request you [illegible] to accept a small token of our appreciation [illegible] skill as a navigator, your capacity as a c[illegible]mander, your courtesy as a host, and your kindness as a friend."

This is surrounded with water-colourd paintings of scenes met on the passage from Australia, executed by Canon Bouverie, all of which, as does a sketch of the *Menmuir*, possess great interest to Captain Craig.

After the toast of the recipient had been drunk with the time-honoured musical accompaniment, Captain Craig responded in suitable terms. The other officers of the *Menmuir* were then toasted separately, and the evening was concluded with a musical and literary entertainment, thus bringing to a pleasant conclusion a voyage favoured with delightful weather, which made it in all senses a pleasure trip.

CRICKET.

CIVILIANS *v.* AN ARMY AND NAVY TEAM.

This annual two-days fixture was played on Saturday and Monday, and excited great interest. The civilians on Saturday succeeded in piling up the magnificent score of 303 before being disposed of just before time. As will be seen by the scores, Messrs Greenfield and Ellis, with 95 and 53 respectively, made the highest scores, still no less than six players reached double figures before being disposed of. On the Army and Navy going in yesterday it soon became evident that they could not stand against Dr. Lowson's deadly bowling, and as a matter of fact all were out in the first innings for 49. In the second innings a better effort was made, 134 being compiled before the last wicket was taken, but even this left the Civilians victors by an inning and 120 runs.

On Saturday afternoon the Band of the Hongkong Regiment, present by the permission of Lieutenant-Colonel Faithfull and officers, added much to the pleasure of the numerous spectators.

The scores follow:—

CIVILIANS.

J. A. Lowson, c Eccles, b Shelford	20
A. B. Antos, c Bedwell, b Shelford	28
W. M. Greenfield, c Knox, b Eccles	95
S. L. Darby, b Shelford	9
F. Maitland, b Green	31
J. R. Gillingham, b Shelford	0
E. C. Ellis, st. Poole, b Eccles	53
R. F. Lamaert, b Knox	23
A. Anderson, c Shelford, b Eccles	5
H. Arthur, b Eccles	5
F. Lammert, not out	5
Extras	27
Total	303

ARMY & NAVY.

Sergt. Burton, R.E., b Lowson	0	b Gillingham	6
R. E. Holland, R.E., b Lowson	7	b Gillingham	18
Capt. W. V. Eccles, R.E., b Darby	22	b Lowson	0
Lieut. S. Perry-Aysccough, R.N., b Lowson	6	b Lowson	6
G. R. Blount, R.N., b Lowson	0	b W. Lowson c Maitland, b Gillingham	13
H. B. Bedwell, R.N., b Lowson	0	b Lowson	5
V. Marryat, R.N., b Lowson	4	b Gillingham	7
C. W. Knox, R.E., b Lowson	0	b Lowson	22
Pte. Green, R.E., not out	6	b Lowson	10
Surgeon J. H. Read, R.N., did not bat		b Gillingham	27
Lieut. T. Shelford, R.N., did not bat		not out	11
Extras	8	Extras	6
Total	49	Total	134

THE RIFLE ASSOCIATION'S PRIZE MEETING.

The Rifle Association's Prize Meeting was brought to a conclusion yesterday with the Ladies' Tournament and Ladies' Competition. These two events attracted a large number of spectators, amongst whom were his Excellency the Governor, Admiral Buller and many of the Officers of the Garrison. The pleasure of the afternoon was greatly enhanced by the selection of music played by the Band of the Hongkong Regiment.

The shooting was, on the whole, above the average, the highest score in the Queen's Aggregate—279—made by both Major Wrottesley and Colour-Sergeant Hopkins, being higher than ever attained here before. The superiority of the new Service rifle over the Martini-Henry, noticed the first day, was still more *en evidence* yesterday, and a much heavier handicap will be imposed in future on those using it.

At the conclusion of the contests the prizes were presented to the fortunate winners by Mrs. Black, in the presence of his Excellency the Governor, after which cheers given for Mrs. Black and for the ladies brought this pleasant meeting to an end.

The following are the results of the various events:—

1.—*All Comers.*—Distance 200 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Unlimited entries, 30 cents each. Ten prizes, value $45.

1st prize	$15	6th prize	$3		
2nd "	10	7th "	1		
3rd "	5	8th "	1		
4th "	5	9th "	1		
5th "	3	10th "	1		

Lieutenant Powlett	35
Corporal Julian	35
Mr. Shepherd	34
Lieutenant Hoey	34
Colour-Sergeant A. Smith	34
Colour-Sergeant Hopkins	34
Colour-Sergeant H. Smith	33
Sgt. Major Morrish	33
Captain Stewart	33
Captain Ferguson	32

2.—*Martini-Henry Carbine Competition.*—Distance 200 yards. Members only. No. of shots—Seven. Entrance 50 cents. Four prizes, value 70 per cent. of the entries, with $10 added.

Mr. MacLennan	33
Mr. W. Macdonald	33
Mr. G. White	31

3.—*Queen's 1st Stage.*—Distance 200 yards. Members only. No. of shots—seven. Entrance 50 cents. Four prizes, value 70 per cent. of the entries with $10 added. Position—Standing or Kneeling.

Mr. A. Chapman	32
Lieutenant Hoey	31
Colour-Sergeant Hopkins	30
Sapper Pritchard	30

Returns (incomplete) to date. *Vide* advt.:—

4.—*Ladies' Tournament.*—Open to Lady Members or their Nominees.—Distance 300 yards. No. of shots—seven. No entrance fee. Ten Prizes presented.

Mrs. Lacey, nominated by Col. Sgt. Lacey	32
Miss Bain, nominated by Mr. Shepherd	32
Mrs. Eccles, nominated by Capt. Eccles	31
Mrs. Lockhart, nominated by Capt. Ferguson	31
Mrs. Morrish, nominated by Sgt.-Major Morrish	30
Mrs. Stewart, nominated by Mr. Stewart	29
Mrs. Robinson, nominated by Mr. E. Robinson	29
Mrs. Norcott, nominated by Private Wilson	28

5.—*Association.*—300 yards. Members only. No. of Shots—Seven. Unlimited entries, 30 cents each. Five prizes, 70 per cent. of entries.

Sapper Pritchard	31
Sapper Thompson	31
Lieutenant Hoey	30
Lieutenant Power	30
Corporal Collins	30

6.—*Martini-Henry Carbine Competition.*—Distance 500 yards. Members only. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance 50 cents. Four prizes, value 70 per cent. of the entries with $10 added.

Mr. W. Stewart	32
Mr. McPhail	31
Mr. W. Macdonald	31
Mr. Shepherd	30

7.—*All Comers.*—Distance 500 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Unlimited entries, 30 cents each. Ten prizes, value $45.

1st prize	$15	6th prize	$3		
2nd "	10	7th "	1		
3rd "	5	8th "	1		
4th "	5	9th "	1		
5th "	5	10th "	1		

Colour-Sergeant H. Smith	35
Colour-Sergeant Hopkins	34
Mr. Shepherd	34
Mr. G. P. Lammert	33
Colour-Sergeant A. Smith	33
Captain Ferguson	33
Mr. W. Stewart	33
Corporal Julian	32
Private Priddle	32
Sudar Khan	32

8.—*Queen's 1st Stage.*—Distance 500 yards. Members only. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance 50 cents. Four prizes, value 70 per cent. of the entries with $10 added.

Colour-Sergeant Lacey	35
Colour-Sergeant Hopkins	34
Mr. W. Stewart	34
Mr. S. M. Morrish	33

9.—*Queen's 2nd Stage.*—Distance 500 yards. Members only. No. of Shots—Ten. Entrance 50 cents. Five prizes, value 70 per cent. of the entries with $10 added.

Lieutenant Hoey	48
Colour-Sergeant Hopkins	48
Private Wilson	47
Sergeant Shearing	46
Captain Ferguson	45

10.—*Queen's 1st Stage.*—Distance 600 yards. Members only. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance 50 cents. Four prizes, value 70 per cent. of the entries with $10 added. Martini-Henry rifles allowed 3 points.

Private Wilson	33
Sergeant Hopkins	32
Mr. Shepherd	32
Major Wrottesley	32

11.—*Queen's 2nd Stage.*—Distance 600 yards. Members only. No. of Shots—Fifteen. Entrance 50 cents. Four prizes, value 70 per cent. of the entries with $10 added. Martini-Henry rifles allowed 5 points.

Mr. Shepherd	65
Colour-Sergeant Lacey	65
Private Wilson	64
Mr. W. Stewart	63

12.—*All Comers.*—Distance 600 yards. No. of Shots.—Seven. Unlimited entries, 30 cents each. Seven prizes, value 70 per cent. of the entries.

Colour-Sergeant Hopkins	34
Mr. Shepherd	32
Lieutenant Hoey	31
Colour-Sergeant Leslie	31
Colour-Sergeant Smith	31
Sergeant Shearing	31
Lieutenant Webber	30

13.—*Queen's 3rd Stage.*—Distance 800 yards. Members only. No. of Shots—Ten. Entrance 50 cents. Four prizes, value 70 per cent of the entries with $10 added, presented by the *Daily Press*. Martini-Henry rifles allowed 4 points.

Major Wrottesley	45
Lieutenant Hoey	44
Mr. Shepherd	42
Colour-Sergeant Hopkins	41

14.—*Queen's, 3rd Stage.*—Distance 900 yards. Members only. No. of Shots—Ten. Entrance 50 cents. Four prizes, value 70 per cent. of the entries with $10 added, presented by the Hon. E. R. Belilios, C.M.G. Martini-Henry rifles allowed 8 points.

Colour-Sergeant Lacey	40
Lieutenant Webber	40
Major Wrottesley	39
Mr. Shepherd	32

15.—*Queen's 1st Stage. Aggregate.*—Optional sweepstake of 50 cents each. The highest scorer takes 70 per cent. of the entries.

Colour-Sergeant Hopkins	96

16.—*Carbine Aggregate.*—Optional sweepstake of 50 cents each. The highest scorer takes 70 per cent. of the entries.

Mr. W. Macdonald	64

17.—*Nursery Aggregate.*—Restricted to Members who have never won outright an Association Subscription Cup, or a First or Second prize exceeding the value of £1 at any previous prize meeting in Hongkong or elsewhere, and whose respective scores in competitions Nos. 3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, and 14 (the three stages of the Queen's) make the highest aggregates. Entrance $1. 1st prize, Cup presented by Capt. Ferguson and Lieut. Hoey, R.B., and two other prizes, 70 per cent. of entries.

Private Wilson	277
Colour-Sergeant Lacey	270
Mr. W. Stewart	269

18.—*Queen's, 2nd Stage, Aggregate.*—Optional sweepstake of 50 cents each. The highest scorer to take 70 per cent. of the entries.

Private Wilson	111

19.—*Association.*—800 and 900 yards. Members only. No. of Shots—Five at each range. Entries unlimited. 30 cents each range. Prizes 70 per cent. of entries for highest aggregate scores. Best scores at each distance to count towards Aggregate. Three prizes.

Private Priddle, R.B.	46
Lieut. Hoey, R.B.	45
Major Wrattesley, R.B.	44

20.—*Queen's, 3rd Stage, Aggregate.*—Optional sweepstake of 50 cents each. The highest scorer to take 70 per cent. of the entries.

Major Wrottesley	84

21.—*Queen's Aggregate.*—For Competitors whose respective scores in the three stages of the Queen's make up the highest aggregates. Entrance £1. Prizes to be selected by winners in order of merit as laid down by rule 14 in Ladies' Competition.

Major Wrottesley	279
Colour-Sergeant Popkins	279
Private Wilson	277
Mr. Shepherd	276
Colour-Sergeant Lacy	270
Mr. W. Stewart	269
Lieutenant Hoey	263
Sergeant Leslie	260
Captain Ferguson	251
Colour-Sergeant A. Smith	247
Corporal Collins	243

22.—*Ladies' Competition.*—Open to Lady Members only. About 75 yards. Seven shots—one sighting shot. No entrance fee. Rifles and Ammunition provided by the Association.

Returns to date. *Vide* advt.:—

Mrs. Hawkins	16
Miss Brost	13
Mrs. Andrew	12
Mrs. Hayes	12
Miss Brennan	10
Mrs. Moore	9
Miss Boyes	8
Miss Kyles	8
Miss Jackson	7
Miss Robinson	7
Mrs. Boxhall	6
Mrs. Chapman	4

23.—*Non-Professional Cup.*—Distance 200 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Open to Members of the Rifle Association who have not won a Prize of any description for Rifle Shooting during the past 7 years. Position.—Standing or Kneeling. Entrance $1.00. First prize the "Novices" Cup, presented, and two other prizes 70 per cent. of the entries.

Lieutenant Power	35
Lieutenant Percival	32
Inspector Butlin	26

HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

CAPTAIN'S CUP.

The first of the monthly competitions for the Cup kindly presented by the Captain of the Club (Capt. Rumsey) was concluded yesterday. Although there are perhaps fewer returns than usual, yet the number of members who entered was if anything larger than is generally the case. It is to be hoped that more members will compete next month, and so make the competition more keen and interesting than it is even now. The scores are given below:—

CAPTAIN'S CUP.

Mr. C. A. Tomes	100	20	80
Mr. J. Hastings	95	14	81
Mr. C. E. Hume	91	6	85
Mr. E. W. Maitland	103	18	85
Mr. W. M. Thompson, R.E.	96	10	86
Capt. W. V. Eccles, R.B.	92	2	90
Mr. J. Stewart	97	5	92
Mr. C. H. Grace	106	12	94

SWEEP.

Mr. V. A. C. Hawkins	89	11	78
Mr. H. L. Dalrymple	89	10	79
Mr. C. E. Hume	91	6	85
Mr. C. A. Tomes	106	20	85
Mr. G. Stewart	97	5	92
Mr. J. Hastings	108	14	94
Mr. C. H. Grace	106	12	94

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

LONDON, March 12th.

Russia has decided to maintain fourteen ships of war on the Pacific Station.

ADELAIDE, March 17th.

The Australian Eleven sails for England by the R.M.S. *Cuzco* to-morrow. They will be entertained at a banquet by the Mayor of Adelaide prior to sailing. The final constitution of the team is as follow:—Messrs. Giffen, Jones, Hill, Darling, Harry Trott, Johns, Trumble Graham, McKibbin, Iredale, Gregory, Kelly, Eady, and Albert Trott.

LONDON, March 18th.

The French Government has given orders for the immediate construction of a large number of swift cruisers of the most improved up-to-date type, the obvious intention being to keep pace, as nearly as possible, with the recent move in the same direction in Great Britain.

A Conference, representing the trading and commercial interests of the Orange Free State, South Africa, has rejected a proposition to prevent the further influx of Asiatic races into that colony.

Germany, Austria, and Italy have agreed to continue the Triple Alliance for a further term of six years.

NEWS BY THE INDIAN MAIL.

BOMBAY, March 17th.

At the Police Court the Fourth Presidency Magistrate convicted Kalidas Sakalchunder, Editor of the *Ahmedabad Times*, for publishing in that paper defamatory allegations against Hargovindas Dwarkadass Kantawalla, Director of Vernacular Public Instruction at Baroda, charging him with robbery and plunder of Government money, financial jobbery, roguery, and disgraceful conduct. In passing a sentence of six months' and one day's simple imprisonment, the Magistrate said: "I must consider not only the gravity of the charges made but the persistency with which they were repeated and sought to be proved." Counsel for defendant intimated his intention to appeal to the High Court.

RANGOON, March 17th.

An official Press Note has been issued on the recent murder of a Public Works subordinate, named Daily, in the Northern Shan States, which says that Mr. Daily was murdered on the night of the 6th, or morning of the 7th instant, on the Nammaw Road, near the Salween Railway camp, at Naungkyo, in Thonze. The murder was committed by Nga San, a servant of the deceased, who killed him with a *dah*. Thibaw Sawbwa has offered a reward of Rs. 5,000 for the arrest of the servant and another man, who is believed to be implicated. Both men had recently arrived in Thonze from Burma.

March 18th.

An official press note says that Nga Tun, one of the men supposed to be implicated in the murder of Mr. Daily, has been arrested at Hsipaw.

BOMBAY, March 18th.

A private telegram from Hongkong states that the yarn market is unusually dull and declining, the weekly sales of Indian yarn having fallen to 500 bales only, and consequently there is nothing doing. Exchange at present rates there is at Rs. 182½ per 100 dollars. The unsold yarn stock is estimated at sixteen thousand bales.

A want greatly felt in Bombay is almost on the eve is being supplied, as arrangements for building a Masonic Temple on the Esplanade are nearly completed, and negotiations are in progress for the purchase of land from Government. Lord Sandhurst's interest in Freemasonry has assisted the Craft considerably, and rendered the present step possible.

March 19th.

Mr. Justice Candy to-day delivered judgment in the case in which a jeweller claimed Rs. 50,000 from Sirdar Dilar Jung, C. I. E., for jewellery given to defendant on approval, which he failed to return to plaintiff within the time specified for purchase or rejection. His lordship passed a decree against the Sirdar for the amount claimed with costs.

Small-pox is on the decrease at Bombay. The deaths last week from it were 36, making a total of 167 deaths in five weeks.

BLACK PLAGUE IN INDIA.

A wail comes from Assam of the heart-rending ravages of the terrible disease "Kala-azar." A correspondent of the Calcutta *Statesman* makes an urgent appeal to Government to investigate and do something to remove the causes which have led to the frightful increase of this terrible disease in that province during recent years; and the picture he draws of the condition of affairs there is truly heart-rending. Every one who has resided in Assam or visited the districts of Kamroop and Nowgong knows that terrible name "Kala-azar." Not in name, but in actual reality it is the Black Plague. Hundreds and thousands of homes, which were once full of cheerful and smiling faces, have become desolate, or almost desolate. In villages where a few years ago you saw a host of bright children, lively youths, and happy parents, there is now a different scene, most melancholy and most depressing. It is a fact that there are houses where, out of a family of ten or twelve, the survivors are a boy and a girl, or a widower or a widow, and these unlucky ones are themselves victims of the disease. Where they had life, cheerfulness, and plenty, the inhabitants have now gloom, desolation, and scarcity. Like an invading army the Plague is marching forward into the valleys of the Brahmaputra, having commenced operations on the west of the foot of the Garo Hills, and already besieged the districts of Goalpara and Kamroop. Mungaldai on the right bank, and Nowgong on the south bank, are the present scenes of attack. Nowgong is suffering very badly from it. In support of what he says our contemporary's correspondent gives a few figures relating to the district from the last Sanitary Report of the province. In Nowgong there were 77 deaths from Kala-azar in 1891; 865 in 1892; 3,407 in 1893; and 8,585 in 1894. The disease has spread from the west to the east, and is now raging with virulence. The worst of it is, that no medicine that is known can stay the disease. The dispensaries which have recently been opened within the districts are powerless for good. The civil surgeons, and the medical officers who serve in the tea-gardens, are of opinion that a specialist should be appointed for the purpose of making inquiries and attempting to discover a remedy for the disease, but the local Government cannot, as it says, afford to contribute a sum of Rs. 34,000 which is asked for to do so.—*Madras Times.*

THE LATEST FROM THE NORTH POLE.

(FROM OUR OWN SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

DR. NANSEN'S EXPEDITION—PROTEST FROM THE BOERS.—CONFLICT WITH 2,000 ICE-BEARERS.—DESPATCH FROM MR. CHAMBERLAIN.—EXPECTED ERUPTION FROM THE KAISER.—FEELING IN ENGLAND.

The news of Dr. Nansen's unexpected invasion of the territory of the North Pole has been received here with the *wildest excitement*. After *determined resistance* on the part of the Boers (*Boars*, I mean, of course, only my poor head is turned with reading head-lines), the North Pole has surrendered at discretion and *will be brought to England* (in Dr. N.'s *Fram*-bulator. Don't say this is all *Nansense*) *for trial*, to see, once for all, whether it is *made of mahogany* or only *veneered*. The Hon. Cecil Rhodes, though much pressed by interviewers, has declined to give an opinion on the question.

The inhabitants of the sequestered district are found to be of Polish descent, but un-polished manners. On the arrival of Dr. N. and party they were all playing Poletennis!

The E—ns and other natives defended themselves in the most wal'ous manner. *Armistice signed with seals.*

A vigorous despatch has been received from the Right Hon. J—s—ph Ch—mb—l—n requesting Dr. Nansen and his armed force to advance no further until a scheme of Home Rule for the Pole territory has been formulated.

A telegram is hourly expected from the German Emperor. The absence of a German gunboat has aroused much comment.

[The above interesting communication reaches us from a valued correspondent, whose whereabouts has for some time been a source of anxiety to his friends, as he has not been seen at his usual haunts for months. We cannot decipher the address on his letter, but it looks a little like "*Hauwell*"—probably the name of one of the New Siberian Island.—*Ed., St. James's Gazette.*]

BORNEO AND JAPAN.

KOBE, March 26th.

Increasing attention has been given lately to the possibilities of Borneo as an outlet for Japanese labour, and perhaps a valuable auxiliary in the development of the new-born Commercial Orient—that is to say, if there is anything in the idea now becoming prevalent that the Far East is to rival the West as a centre of commercial enterprise in the twentieth century. The factors of commercial supremacy are, briefly, abundance of labour and of food-products for the masses at cheap rates; capital, energy, and ability for the marshalling and employment of these masses; and mineral wealth, chiefly coal and iron. Of these, Japan has large, but to our mind considerably over-rated, supplies of labour, already enhancing rapidly in cost owing to the supply not increasing with the demand; she has no doubt a considerable unexploited reserve of private capital, and she is promising well in the direction of energy and ability, though here again the popular impression is over sanguine; and the crops of food-stuffs in the country are in a broad sense at or near their limit of production. There is, however, a certainty that Japan has capabilities and indeed urgent necessity for opening up new fields from which to obtain raw materials for her manufactures. In fact, if Japan is to continue expanding—as we sincerely hope and confidently expect (for, strange as it may seem to some ultra-patriotic Japanese, there are foreigners whose interests are so intimately bound up with those of Japan that they hope for the country's prosperity as for their own)—she must do so by becoming the manufacturing centre for surrounding countries. No country on earth except such huge producing areas as the United States and Russia can ever conduct manufactures on a respectably large scale unless with the aid of producing fields outside, and close at hand if possible. Great Britain, and on a smaller scale Belgium, being first among nations to develop iron and coal and steam, managed to secure the business of manufacturing the material of far-distant lands; but already their immense advantage is being worn down, imperceptibly in general, but at times most noticeably in particular cases. It must come ultimately to the products being manufactured at or near their place of production, or as nearly as possible on the direct line between the place of production and the place of consumption; and this means that sooner or later some part of the manufacturing industries must be transferred from Europe to the East, just as an appreciable portion of the cotton trade has left Lancashire already and settled down where the staple is grown and the goods are used. It is this particular branch of the commercial and industrial revolution which more especially interests Japan. Time was when cotton, grown in India, Egypt, and America, used to be carried all the way to mills in England and Scotland, and in the finished form carried back to the very people who worked on the plantations; but in such a simple matter at any rate as the coarser counts of yarn, that sort of thing is bound to pass away. Japan is making a bid for the reversion of the cotton trade of the Far East, and China is also waking up in the matter, though there are some who believe she is only "pretending." In this aspiration Borneo is bound to play an important part if the people most concerned are alive to their own interests. Japan's cotton-growing capabilities are limited both in quantity and quality, and if she is to seek no further than her own shores or the cotton she may import from India and China—both aspiring to take the lead in manufacturing—Japan will not get very far. The French also are talking of cotton in Tonkin, and though the French colonies have a knack of not realising their aspirations, it is not impossible that they may eventually become an important factor in the cotton world. In any case, India of course has a vast advantage, almost as great as that of Lancashire,—greater in some respects; but judging by the present rate of expansion of the spinning industry, it appears clear that Japan will in time import little or no manufactured cotton. Apart from that, however, it is certain that the world's production of cotton must expand, and with it there will of course be a corresponding increase of capital and labour employed in its manufacture; and though the enlargement will in the natural course benefit mostly the existing spinners and weavers, it is always open for new-comers to cut into the new trade, and Japan will have herself to blame if she is not the first to do so. It is not only in cotton, but in all manufactured products of the soil, that a country's welfare is to be sought; and it is soil that Japan has not, to an extent sufficient for very much expansion beyond her own bare requirements. She has to use the soil of Indo-China and Siam to grow rice for her own use, while Japanese rice is exported at higher prices. It is the soil of India and China and America that Japan has to use for growing cotton for Japanese spindles and looms, for the Japan-grown cotton is inadequate. It is the soil of North America that Japan will have to use more and more, and already does to some degree, to supply her with timber in face of her rapidly disappearing forests. It is the soil of more southern islands that Japan will have to use for the production of sugar to keep her projected refineries at work; and it is the same all along the line—an industrious and clever people can always and must perforce run factories immeasurably beyond the producing-capacity of their own lands. Therefore, when new producing-places are being opened in the East, it is essential for Japan to draw the raw materials to herself for manufacture rather than allow them to find a market elsewhere. One of these countries is Borneo. Before Borneo ought to be considered the Hokkaido and Formosa, as they are Japanese territories distinctly demanding development; but at the same time, Borneo is a country where various products are destined to be produced in vast quantities before long, and it is Japan's duty to herself that she should make a bid for the manufacturing of these things. Cotton is likely to be one of the chief; sugar, camphor, silk, and a hundred other things are at present being produced in the crude little plantations of the natives, who are as a rule too indolent to do more than supply their own exceedingly limited requirements. Europeans have tried plantations of a few kinds, and have hitherto a dismal record of failure only, with exceptions just enough to prove the rule. But that does not show that such a country is destined to remain for ever unexploited. All tropical countries under the sun have their drawbacks—the most flourishing of all are those best (or worst) known for awful pestilences and disastrous speculations. The Japanese have tried to work in Borneo, and have failed; indeed, it may be said that they have not succeeded as colonists in any part of the world except Hawaii, which is so similar to the climate of Nippon during a great part of the year that it does not count as a criterion of Japanese colonising adaptability. So their unfortunate experience of Borneo is no proof that the country is without hope, any more than the same could be considered proved of the other countries sampled by Japanese emigrants. Nor is Borneo to be considered utterly hopeless on account of Europeans. It is full of dangers to health, which require to be known and avoided. So is Brazil, the greatest coffee-grower in the world, and the home of yellow fever; so is Java, which lives on its sugar and other crops in spite of having a peculiarly deadly brand of fever of its own; so are the Philippines, which, with the unhealthiest climate on earth, and more typhoons, thunderstorms, and earthquakes to the square inch than any known land, still pay the Spanish Government millions a year and provide work for a vast number of people. Borneo is sure some day to do as well, though the results up to now are so bad; and it is for Japan to turn the development of that country to her own advantage.—*Chronicle.*

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

German (*Sachsen*) to-morrow.
French (——) 14th inst.
Indian (*Arratoon Apcar*) 14th inst.
American (*Belgic*) 15th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of India*) 20th inst.
American (*Peru*) 26th inst.

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THE Agents (Messrs. D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.) inform us that the steamer *Arratoon Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore this afternoon for this port.

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SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 5 p.m. yesterday to 5 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS.

Wingsang	steamer,	from	Straits.
Ask	"	"	Hoihow.
Formosa	"	"	Swatow.
Menmuir	"	"	Australia.
Tatsang	"	"	Shanghai.
Ulysses	"	"	Singapore.
Donar	"	"	Saigon.
Rio	"	"	Singapore.
Progner	"	"	Bangkok.

Aggregating 10,777 tons register.

DEPARTURES.

Osborne	steamer	for	Kobe.
Namoa	"	"	Coast Ports.
Chingping	"	"	Tientsin.
Ingraban	"	"	Saigon.
Peiyang	"	"	Shanghai.
Skarpsko	"	"	Kobe.
Hanoi	"	"	Haiphong.
Elizabeth	barque	"	Singapore.

Aggregating 7,966 tons register.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

Tatlee	in	Kowloon	Dock.
Honam	"	"	"
Rhotna	"	"	"
Centurion (H.M.S.)	"	"	"
Freyr	"	"	"
Esmeralda	"	"	"
Mongkut	"	"	"
Otaru Maru	"	"	"
Altmore	"	Cosmopolitan	"

NEW SHIPS FOR THE EAST.

On February 25th, the *Fan Sang*, a new steamer constructed by Messrs Wigham, Richardson and Co. for the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, went for a successful trial trip off the mouth of the Tyne. The machinery went without a hitch, and developed a mean speed of 11½ knots. The vessel is built of steel, rigged as a two masted schooner, and is very completely equipped for trade in the East. She is 290 feet long, with a beam of 40 feet, and a depth of 25 feet.

On February 27th, Messrs. J. L. Thompson and Sons launched at Sunderland the steel screw steamer *Ellen Richmers*, which has been built for Messrs. Richmers and Co. of Bremen, and is intended for that firm's line between Europe and the East. She is 427 feet long, 50ft. 6in. wide, and 30 feet deep, and is to carry a deadweight of over 7,200 tons. She will be engined by Messrs. Geo. Clark and Co., Ltd.

On March 3rd, Messrs. Scott and Co. launched at Greenock, for the Ocean Steamship Company, the steel screw steamer *Prometheus*. She is 422 feet long, 49 feet in breadth, and 31ft. 6in. in depth. She is of 5,200 tons gross, with a carrying capacity of 7,200 tons, and she will be supplied by the builders with triple expansion engines of 3,500 indicated horse-power.

The warship *Yashima*, built to the order of the Japanese Government by Sir W. G. Armstrong, Mitchell & Co., was launched on February 28th.

It is reported that the new Japanese ironclad *Fuji-yama* will leave the Thames on the 15th instant, bound for the Far East.

FOOD for Consumptives.—Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda is a most wonderful food for the Consumptive. It not only gives strength and increases the flesh, but heals the irritation of the throat and lungs. It is very palatable; children take it like milk, and in all wasting diseases both for adults and children, it is a marvellous food and medicine. Any Chemist can supply it.—Sole Agents for Hongkong and the Empire of China:—Watkins & Co., Hongkong.—[*Advt.*

Intimations.

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BLOOD MIXTURE

THE GREAT BLOOD PURIFIER AND RESTORER.

FOR cleansing and clearing the blood from all impurities it cannot be too highly recommended.

For Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Skin and Blood Diseases, and Sores of all kinds, it is a never-failing and permanent cure.

It Cures Old Sores.
Cures Sores on the Neck.
Cures Sore Legs.
Cures Blackheads, or Pimples on the Face.
Cures Scurvy.
Cures Ulcers.
Cures Blood and Skin Diseases.
Cures Glandular Swellings.
Clears the Blood from all impure matter.
From whatever cause arising.
It is a real specific for Gout and Rheumatic pains.
It removes the cause from the Blood and Bones.

As this Mixture is pleasant to the taste, and warranted free from anything injurious to the most delicate constitution of either sex, the Proprietors solicit sufferers to give it a trial to test its value.

THOUSANDS OF TESTIMONIALS.

Clarke's Blood Mixture is sold in Bottles 2s. 9d. each, and in cases, containing six times the quantity, 11s.—sufficient to effect a permanent cure in the great majority of long standing cases, by all Chemists and Patent Medicine Vendors throughout the world. Proprietors, the Lincoln and Midlands Counties Drug Company, Lincoln, England. Trade Mark—"Blood Mixture."

CLARKE'S BLOOD MIXTURE.

CAUTION.—Purchasers of Clarke's Blood Mixture should see that they get the genuine article. Worthless imitations and substitutes are sometimes palmed off by unprincipled vendors. The words "Lincoln and Midland Counties Drug Company, Lincoln, England," are engraved on the Government Stamp, and "Clarke's World-famed Blood Mixture," blown in the Bottle, without which none are genuine.

Notice of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. FRANCIS MAITLAND is authorized to SIGN our FIRM from the 1st April, 1896.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1896. [602

NOTICE.

MR. GEORGE HUTTON POTTS has been admitted a PARTNER in our FIRM as from This Date. The Style of the Firm will henceforth be BENJAMIN, KELLY and POTTS.

BENJAMIN & KELLY.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1896. [603

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. CHRISTIAN SOPHUS OSCAR VON DER HEYDE in our Firm CEASED from the 29th February last.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1896. [599

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day established myself as SHARE and GENERAL BROKER.

O. VON DER HEYDE.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1896. [604

SPECIAL NOTICE.

WE the Undersigned beg to notify the Public that we have This Day PURCHASED from Messrs. WING CHEONG & Co. the STOCK-IN-TRADE, FIXTURES and GOODWILL of their BUSINESS as MERCHANTS and SHIPCHANDLERS, and the Business will be conducted from this 18th day of February, 1896, as heretofore.

FOOK CHEONG & Co.,
No. 4 Praya Central.
AH YON,
Managing Partner.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1896. [499

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR NEW YORK, via SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GLENARTNEY,"

Captain Gedye, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 9th instant, at 4 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1896. [507

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA &c.)

THE Chartered Steamship

"OCAMPO,"

Captain Hawkins, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 11th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [581

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"HARROW,"

Captain Smith, will be despatched as above on or about SUNDAY, the 12th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1896. [615

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"DARDANUS,"

Captain Gregory, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 13th April,

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th March 1896 [563

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

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(Subject to Alteration.)

Altmore	Wednesday.....	15th April.

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THE Steamship

"ALTMORE,"

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Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in QUADRUPLICATE; and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1896. [562

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"PRIAM,"

Captain C. Jackson, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 19th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1896 [625

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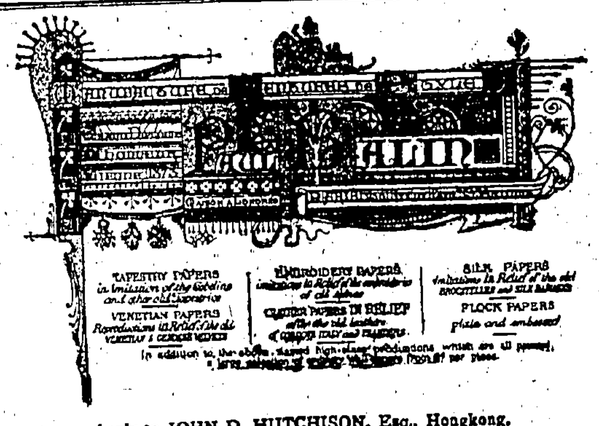
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Cargo will not be received on board after 3 P.M. prior to date of sailing.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SANDER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1896. [488

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR HAVRE AND LONDON.

THE Company's Steamship

"TURBO,"

Captain J. Moses, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th April.

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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1896. [547

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UNDER MANAGEMENT OF THE ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY OF NETHERLANDS INDIA.

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S.S. *Germania*.....	To JAPAN. ...	May.
S.S. *Cassius*.....	To JAPAN ...	June.

General Agents for China & Japan,
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Hongkong, 30th March, 1896. [391

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

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NOTICE.

STEAM TO
YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI,
(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

THE Company's Steamship

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Captain P. Wettin, will leave for the above Ports on or about THURSDAY, the 9th instant.

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Hongkong, 4th April, 1896. [600

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NOTICE.

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THE Company's Steamship

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Captain H. Supmer, due here with the outward German Mail about the 8th instant, will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival.

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Hongkong, 18th February, 1896. [356

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SHEWAN & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1896. [445

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For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1896. [413

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L.I.I. American Ship

"TAM O'SHANTER,"

Peabody, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

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CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1896. [524

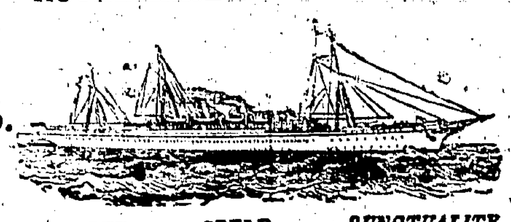
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Hongkong, 18th March, 1896. [3

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Doric (via Amoy, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)...	Wednesday, 8th April, at Noon.
Belgic (via Nagasaki Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama).....	Saturday, 25th April, at Noon.
Coptic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama).....	Wednesday, 13th May, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"DORIC"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* AMOY, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on WEDNESDAY, the 8th April, 1896, at Noon. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

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All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1896. [2

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	Thursday, 16th April, at Noon.
Peru (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)	Sunday, 3rd May, at Daylight.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)	Thursday, 21st May, at Noon.

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"CHINA"

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 3 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1896. [1

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"KAISAR-I-HIND,"

Captain C. L. Daniel, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 9th April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. This steamer connects at Bombay with the S.S. *Caledonia*, leaving that port on the 2nd May for London direct.

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Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars apply to
ALF. WOOLLEY,
Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1896. [431

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Tacoma	2,549	Sunday ...	April 12.
Victoria	2,167	Thursday ..	April 30.
Olympia	2,608	Monday ...	May 18.

THE Steamship

"TACOMA,"

Captain R. Crawford, sailing at Noon, on SUNDAY, the 12th April, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash., *viâ* SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate; and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

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For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1896. 4

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS:
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Sachsen	Tuesday ...	28th April.
Karlsruhe	Tuesday ...	26th May.
Prinz Heinrich ...	Tuesday ...	23rd June.
Preussen	Tuesday ...	21st July.
Sachsen	Tuesday ...	18th August.
Karlsruhe	Tuesday ...	15th Sept.
Prinz Heinrich ...	Tuesday ...	13th Oct.
Preussen	Tuesday ...	10th Nov.

ON TUESDAY, the 28th day of April, 1896, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Supmer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 25th April. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY the 27th April, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on MONDAY, the 27th April. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

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